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## GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES \$1 MILLION FOR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS) ELECTRONIC MONITORING

**BALTIMORE, MD**–(January 11, 2008) Governor Martin O'Malley, announces today the allocation of \$1 million for the Department of Juvenile Service to purchase Global Positioning System (GPS) Electronic Monitoring equipment to monitor youth under supervision. GPS transmits the exact location of offenders so they can be tracked in real time and allows 24-hour monitoring to determine whether an offender is home or not.

The Department of Juvenile Services will use GPS to expand its Community Detention Unit to put youth post-disposition on electronic monitoring. Specifically, this equipment will be used for youth in the Violence Prevention Unit in Baltimore City to enhance pubic safety through increased supervision.

"This will hold youth more accountable and strengthen the Department's community supervision and treatment practices" announced Governor O'Malley. Secretary DeVore added that this advanced technology will enhance our Department's abilities to successfully supervise youth assigned to the Violence Prevention Unit.

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